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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

BOX PATENT APPLICATION

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Sir:

Please enter the following amendment.

Please cancel claims 1-54 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please add the following claims:

55. A composition comprising water soluble peptides, wherein said peptides are obtained by:

oxidizing human or animal hair, human or animal nails, fur, hooves, or feathers, in an aqueous oxidizing solution;

filtering said aqueous oxidizing solution to obtain a water soluble portion;

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